

Blindcrake Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at 7.30 on May 16th 2016 in Blindcrake Village Hall

- 1) **Apologies for absence:** None
- 2) **Chairman's Report:** Andy Prickett read his report which is to be printed in the Parish Newsletter
- 3) **Matters for Discussion:** Litter on the local roads and fly dumping. Local people do collect litter. This will be mentioned in the Newsletter

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- 1) **To receive apologies for absence:** None
- 2) **Election of Chairperson:** Andy Prickett Proposed T. Johnstone, Sec: James Gate
- 3) **Election of Vice Chairperson:** Ros Berry, Proposed: Alan Purvis, Sec: Joe Marrs
- 4) **Election of internal Auditor:** John Thompson, Proposed: Andy Prickett, sec: Terry Johnstone
- 5) **The Chair and Vice Chair signed their acceptance of office for 2016-2017**

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1. **Minutes of the March 2016 meeting.** The Chairman was authorised to sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting as a true record of that meeting.
2. **Members to declare any interests they may have in any item on the agenda:** Joe Marrs re UU Pipe Line
3. **Adjournment of meeting: The Chairman adjourned the meeting to allow parishioners an opportunity to ask questions and raise matters of interest.**

Anne Thompson raised the matter of notices re Church services going missing from notice boards. The Clerk will put new versions in the boards. Organisations who put notices in the notice boards are asked to remove them after the event

4. Maintenance and Matters of Report

a) **Police Matters** (Apologies)

b) **Highways Issues:** Still patching work outstanding in Blindcrake. The Sunderland to A595 road was very rough. Gulleys needed cleaning in the centre of Blindcrake. A request for street sweeping before the Garden Safari would be made. The grit box on the hill east of Blindcrake had not been replaced. The fibre optic ducting was exposed in tow places in Blindcrake

c) **Footpath Group:** The Group had had its AGM. The excess gravel on the "dirty lonning" had been gathered and would be taken away. The watery Lonning had been cleared.

d) **Broadband:** We had had a vague promise that Redmain and Blindcrake would be connected in the "summer". Speed of up to 50mb may be possible with fibre straight to homes. The situation for Isel and Sunderland is under consideration. This could end up as a loc project with farmers digging the trench for the ducting etc. it may be possible to use the UU pipeline. Andy Prickett would ask for a meeting with Connecting Cumbria.

e) **The Green – Drainage:** Ongoing.

f) **United Utilities Pipeline:** The plans had been circulated by the NPA and ABC. There was concern re the pipe crossing the ghyll that there was a significant structure and a potential blocking of the beck in times of flood. It was also near the site of the old village tip with the potential for contamination.

It was hoped that the Pipe line Legacy Fund would provide funding for the village hall improvements based on the fact that we had by far the longest length of pipe in the whole project with what amounted to two length of the pipeline in the Parish. As the plans were still being circulated a holding letter would be sent to both authorities and Andy Prickett would write a response.

5. Correspondence (CALC Circular)

6. Planning Matters: None

7. Financial Matters:

- a) Approval of the accounts for 2015-2016 Proposed James Gate; Seconded Terry Johnstone
- b) Approval of the Governance Statement for 2015-2016 Proposed: Joe Marrs; Seconded: Terry Johnstone
- c) Current financial position, circulated.

8. Future agenda items and dates of future meetings

July 18th September 19th November 21st

Sue Buckwell said she had had a letter from a local MP saying that her house had been flooded. Sue was concerned about where the information came from.

Recycling: For Isel and Sunderland there were bins at Linskeldfield farm as the recycling wagons could not go along the narrow roads to access properties.

There was limited mobile signal in Sunderland and parts of Isel and the phone box in Sunderland no longer works.

The Library van has been withdrawn as it was not cost effective. Could we have a book drop/box at the village hall?

Signed: _____

Date: _____